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Milk Production in Pennsylvania Up 0.2 Percent in December

HARRISBURG, PA, Jan 22, 2008 --- Milk production in Pennsylvania during December 2007 totaled 891 million pounds, up 0.2 percent from last December's production, according to the Pennsylvania field office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service (USDA/NASS). The number of milk cows in the state during the month averaged 550,000 head, the same as November and up 1,000 head from December 2006.

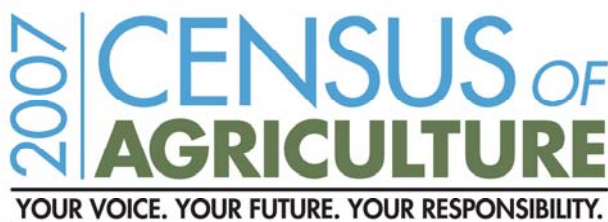
Production per cow averaged 1,620 pounds in December, 40 pounds more than November and unchanged from December 2006.

Milk production in the 23 states surveyed during December 2007 totaled 14.4 billion pounds, up 3.1 percent from production in these same states in December 2006. November revised production, at 13.8 billion pounds, was up 3.9 percent from November 2006. The November revision represented an increase of 13 million pounds from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,719 pounds for December, 29 pounds above December 2006. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major states was 8.38 million head, 107,000 head more than December 2006, and 14,000 head more than November 2007.

MILK COWS AND MILK PRODUCTION

Item	Unit	Pennsylvania			23 States		
		Dec 2006	Nov 2007	Dec 2007	Dec 2006	Nov 2007	Dec 2007
Milk Cows	Thous.	549	550	550	8,276	8,369	8,383
Milk Per Cow	Lbs.	1,620	1,580	1,620	1,690	1,654	1,719
Milk Production	Mil. Lbs.	889	869	891	13,983	13,846	14,414



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